## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims as follows:

- 1. (currently amended) A vane mounting arrangement comprising an aperture in a mounting platform to receive a mounting end of a vane, the arrangement including selectively expansive means between the aperture and the mounting end to provide a seal and/or association between them wherein the expansive means comprises an inflatable bladder.
- 2. (cancelled).
- 3. (currently amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the <u>inflatable</u> bladder is inflatable by a fluid such as a gas, liquid or both.
- 4. (original) An arrangement as claimed in claim 3, wherein the fluid is an electro rheological or magnetic rheological fluid which changes its viscosity when subjected to an electrical potential or magnetic field.
- 5. (original) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the expansive means acts principally between the mounting end and an opposed surface of the aperture in the mounting platform.
- 6. (original) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the expansive means also provides vibration control and/or vibration decoupling between the mounting end and the mounting platform.
- 7. (original) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the expansive means is secured to the mounting end and/or the aperture.
- 8. (original) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the expansive means is secured by adhesive or an interference fit or keyed association.
- 9. (original) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein there is planar engagement between the mounting end and the expansive means.
- 10. (currently amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the expansive means is an inflatable hollow member such as a sheath or boot filled with a pressurised fluid for expansion.

- 11. (original) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1 wherein the expansive means comprises several expandable members which combine about the mounting end.
- 12. (original) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1 wherein the arrangement provides an aperture in an inner platform and/or an outer platform or apertures in opposed platforms.
- 13. (original) A gas turbine engine including a vane mounting arrangement as claimed in claim 1.
- 14. (original) A mounting platform including a plurality of apertures, each aperture arranged to receive a mounting end of a respective one of a plurality of vanes with a respective selectively expandable means provided between that aperture and the mounting end of the respective vane wherein the expansive means comprises an inflatable bladder.
- 15. (original) An outlet guide vane mounted in an arrangement as claimed in claim 1.